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SUBJECT: U.S. SUBMISSION TO ECE OF LIST OF ECONOMIC AND
COMMERCIAL INFORMATION

REF: BRUSSELS 05719, STATE A-2096

1. AS ALWAYS, DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES KAWAN'S FRANK AND

PROMPT COMMENTS. SINCE WE HAD A DIFFERENT PURPOSE IN MIND FOR THIS LIST THAN THOSE KAWAN MENTIONS, OUR VIEW OF THE TACTICS OF SUBMITTING IT DIFFERS AS WELL. AFTER YEARS OF BICKERING OVER INADEQUATE ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION PROVIDED BY CEMA COUNTRIES, IN THE ECE, GATT WORKING PARTIES AND OTHER FORA, WE DECIDED TO TAKE A DIFFERENT TACK.

2. THE ABSENCE OF A GENERAL STANDARD FOR THE KINDS AND QUALITY OF INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BUSINESSMEN AND ENDORSED BY THE CSCE HAS MADE EAST-WEST DISCUSSIONS IN THIS AREA PARTICULARLY FRUITLESS. WE SEE LITTLE POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING EVEN TACIT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REALISTIC STANDARDS UNLESS WE PREPARE A LIST THAT IS BALANCED IN ITS REQUIREMENTS OF BOTH EAST AND WEST. FOR EXAMPLE, EASTERN EUROPEANS SOMETIMES CLAIM THAT THEIR BRIEF AND GLOSSY PRESENTATIONS OF FIVE-YEAR-PLAN TARGETS ARE MORE HELPFUL TO BUSINESS THAN DATA PUBLISHED BY WESTERN COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE NO PLAN. AS WE GENTLY INDICATED IN OUR SUBMISSION'S INTRODUCTION AND IN THE NOTES TO THE SECTIONS ON "ECONOMIC PLANS" AND "DOMESTIC FINANCE," THESE TWO SECTIONS WERE MEANT TO BALANCE EACH OTHER, AND WE WOULD CERTAINLY NOT HAVE GONE TO THE TROUBLE TO COMPILE THE LATTER IF WE DID NOT FEEL IT NECESSARY TO SHOW OUR EVEN-HANDEDNESS.

3. WE DO NOT AGREE THAT THIS LIST INTERFERES WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH STATE TO COMPLY UNILATERALLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CSCE. NOR DO WE AGREE THAT THIS LIST SHOULD CONSIST OF SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS BY BUSINESSMEN

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AGAINST SPECIFIC COUNTRIES. OUR AIM WAS TO MAKE A LIST SUFFICIENTLY INOFFENSIVE IN TONE AND DIRECTION TO GAIN A MEASURE OF LEGITIMACY AND MINIMIZE THE CHANCES OF A SHARPLY NEGATIVE REACTION FROM THE EAST. WE WOULD THEN USE THE LIST AS A NON-POLEMICAL BASIS FOR OUR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS OF SPECIFIC CSCE IMPLEMENTATION PROBLEMS. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS HELPFUL TO DISTINGUISH AMONG EASTERN RECORDS OF IMPLEMENTATION IN THE ECE.

4. WE WOULD GUESS THAT THE EAST WILL DO ITS BEST TO IGNORE OUR SUBMISSION UNTIL AFTER BELGRADE. WHETHER WE WILL REFER TO IT AT BELGRADE WILL DEPEND UPON TACTICS THERE. IF THE EAST SHOULD SEEK ECE APPROVAL OF ANOTHER STANDARD, WE WILL BE PREPARED TO DEFEND THE DEGREE OF DETAIL WE SEEK AT THE NEXT ECE TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING. BUT WE DO NOT EXPECT ANY FORMAL AGREEMENT.

5. WE CONTINUE TO WELCOME WHATEVER SUPPORT OR CONTRIBUTIONS EC COMMISSION STAFF OR EC MEMBER GOVERNMENTS MAY

WISH TO GIVE OUR SUBMISSION, BUT WE DO NOT FEEL THAT IT
IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE EC AND U.S. TO TAKE THE SAME APPROACH
TOWARD THIS ITEM OF THE WORK PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY IF EC
DECIDES TO DELAY ITS SUBMISSION. MISSION SHOULD NONETHE-
LESS MAKE ABOVE POINTS TO COMMISSION BEFORE THE JUNE 13
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